

REPLY TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION NOTICE DATED AUGUST 22, 2005

The applicant believes that these newly amended claims synthetically describe the essential novelty introduced by the object of the present application, consisting in that the union between the candy and the stick is articulated, instead of tight and rigid as in current lollipops which are manufactured together with an embedded stick to hold it. The dancing toy lollipop, with said innovative feature, though cheap, simple and easy to manufacture, creates a significant difference in the way the user enjoys it in comparison to current lollipops, because the candy part is not fixed, but movable in relation to the holding stick, so that said candy moves like dancing when the user shakes or move the toy lollipop in different ways. This dancing like motion increases the user's amusement, particularly when the user is a child, and is achieved without the use of electric and/or mechanical holders.

An additional novelty is that current lollipops are manufactured injecting molten candy around a stick in a mold conveniently designed where previously has been placed said stick, to which the candy is then tightly fixed and the candy with an embedded stick is manufactured as a whole, while the candy part of the dancing toy lollipop, which is movable in relation to the stick, is manufactured as a separate independent piece and then assembled to the stick to complete the dancing toy lollipop.

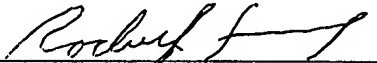
Thus, the movable candy can be manufactured using any adequate procedure, such as, but not limited to, that used for the production of common candies without embedded stick, not lollipops, consisting in the conventional injection of candy molten mass into conveniently shaped hollow molds, but in this case, provided with removable cores to configure the interior cavity, which shape allows the removal of the cores after the completion of the injection process.

The holding stick, in turn, is manufactured separately in a similar way to the sticks used for current lollipops, but one of its ends, the top end, is modified to provide resilient retaining means, configured using any appropriate conventional manufacturing process such as, but not limited to, the use of conveniently designed plastic injection molds, being said retaining means intended to allow the assembling and articulate union to said holding stick of the separately manufactured movable candy, simply inserting the stick into the movable candy passing through a narrow orifice or throat in the interior cavity of the movable candy, until the retaining means expand freely inside the candy cavity, beyond said throat.

The applicant respectfully hopes that the revised claims in the attached list are correct or require minor formal amendments to comply with 35 U.S. C. 112 first and second paragraphs, which, among other requirements, require the inclusion of a way to materialize the invention claimed.

Please, see attached the List of the new Amended Claims submitted.

Respectfully,

  
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Date